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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET HAS CHEERFUL UNDERTONE

(By Henry Clews.)

New York, Aug. 6.—The stock market exhibits a strong and cheerful undertone in spite of absenteeism, and unfavorable reports concerning the wheat crop, which induced more or less realizing in the early part of the week. The hopeful feeling, now so prevalent in the "street" is due to the changed position of leading bankers and financiers, who have abandoned the excessively conservative attitude which they held for the last year or two and assumed one of renewed confidence in the future. The reasons for this change of attitude are plain. They are (1) the prospect of another profitable harvest, (2) the improvement in the iron trade, (3) the practical certainty of easy money, and (4) the absence of any disturbing issue in the presidential election. With such an array of influences on the side of improvement, and with securities concentrated in strong hands, it is not likely that the big leaders will lose such an opportunity of putting the market upon a higher level.

As for the crops, cotton is easily the leading factor. The favorable character of the last government report indicates a yield of not less than 12,000,000 bales. While cotton has shown a big decline, the price is still high enough to give the grower a good profit, and the lower cost will come in as a boon to the manufacturer, who has been grievously hampered by high cotton, high wages, competition between northern and southern mills, loss of export trade and legislative and union restrictions. Cheaper cotton will do much towards restoring prosperity in the cotton goods trade. Next to cotton, the corn crop is the most important element; in fact, its value is considerably greater than the cotton crop, and in the form of hogs, cattle, etc., it is by far the chief of our agricultural products, providing in various ways an enormous amount of freight. This crop is somewhat backward and exposed to danger from frost, but experts are figuring upon a maximum crop of about 2,500,000,000 bushels. It is unfortunate that the wheat crop is now likely to fall below 600,000,000 bushels, but the damage stories appear to have been exaggerated and price being high farmers will not suffer much on this score. Another important crop, which is often lost sight of, is the hay crop, and this, too, promises to be abundant, thanks to plentiful rainfall. The crop situation therefore as a whole is entirely satisfactory and each day diminishes the risk of injury.

The improvement in the iron trade is more than talk. Orders have recently been placed for over 110,000 tons of pig iron, which shows that trade leaders, who are in best position to judge, believe the turn for the better has

come. The iron trade is as good a barometer under the new conditions as under the old, and the way in which orders are coming in and furnaces starting is indisputable evidence that it is business and not sentiment that is moving the iron trade. Some plants have more orders on their books than at any time this year, the turn naturally bringing in a lot of buyers who held back for that event. In the dry goods trade there are also very promising signs of improvement. Buyers are taking hold with more confidence on the discovery that supplies are scant and prices of finished goods are more firmly held in spite of the decline in cotton. General business is almost everywhere reported in a satisfactory condition, except where temporarily disturbed by strikes. In brief, the expectations of a good fall trade are almost universal, north, south, east and west alike.

As stated in previous advices there is no need of concern about the monetary situation. Our local banks carry a big surplus reserve of about \$60,000,000, which is the largest in many years at this period. The west and south are also amply supplied with funds, and the crop and business demands are not likely to cause any embarrassment in the money markets. On August 1 the stock of money in circulation in the United States was \$2,546,000,000, a net increase of \$164,000,000 in the last twelve months. Of this increase \$24,000,000 was in gold coin; \$114,000,000 in gold certificates and \$31,000,000 in national bank notes. During the last seven years we have added about \$650,000,000 to our stock of gold and about \$200,000,000 or more to our supply of bank notes, raising the per capita circulation in that period from \$23 to \$31. Such an enormous increase in our currency supply, out of all proportion to growth of requirements, is sure, if maintained, to have a stimulating effect upon values, especially when the latter are upon a lower plane than formerly, as is now the case. Inflation may be undesirable, but it is just as certain under favorable conditions as is a fall in values from undue contraction of the currency.

Such are the influences which are at present governing the stock market. The only drawbacks are the injury to the wheat crop, continued labor agitation and the possibility of injury to the crops during August and early September. Meantime, however, the harvest has begun, and the danger of injury diminishes daily. Under such conditions manipulation is sure to be more active and in favor of higher prices; for the technical position of the market is strong and the public have hitherto been very limited buyers of stocks.

DRIVEN MAD BY SILK FRAUDS.

Godfrey Bloch Becomes a Maniac Through Worry.

New York, Aug. 10.—Godfrey Bloch, who fled from the federal authorities nearly two years ago rather than tell of his connection with the alleged silk frauds which involved the firm of A. F. Rosenthal & Co., is reported to have become insane and is now an inmate of a sanitarium in this state. His condition is said to be helpless.

Bloch disappeared in October, 1902, when the case was pending before the grand jury and it was said that he had gone away by order of his physician in an attempt to regain his health. He was later located in Montreal, but soon left that place and went to Lyons, France.

His family joined him there. Bloch had been acting peculiarly as a result of mental anxiety, and it was found that his brain had given away. Members of the family communicated with the federal officials and in view of the man's unfortunate plight the promise was given that if he were placed in a retreat no further proceedings would be taken against him. Rosenthal, head of the firm, disappeared while under indictment, forfeiting \$30,000 bail. The alleged irregularities involve imports of silks valued at millions of dollars which were said to have been under valued by an appraiser. Bloch was stated to have been a silent partner in the firm.

LOST IN THE MOUNTAINS.

Searching Adirondacks for Wealthy New Yorker.

New York, Aug. 10.—More than a score of parties, led by experienced guides, have been searching the Adirondacks during the past four days for some trace of Aaron Frost, Jr., of Brooklyn, whose disappearance has just been reported. Frost is 18 years old and is the son of a wealthy partner in a big Fifth avenue jewelry house. He was camping with a friend in the mountains and failed to return from

a fishing trip upon which he ventured alone. Being an experienced woodsman, it was supposed he had gone further than intended and would return the following morning. Upon his failure to do so, the alarm was sent to the nearest camp and a vigorous search at once began. Not the slightest trace of the lad has yet been discovered.

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